

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 53(b)
WITHOUT FILING FEE OR EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:

**THERMOPROTECTED COMPOSITIONS AND PROCESS FOR TERMINAL
STEAM STERILIZATION OF MICROPARTICLE PREPARATIONS**

without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration.

This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

- ☒ An abstract together with
19 pages of specification and claims including
20 numbered claims and also attached is/are
sheets of accompanying drawings.
- ☐ This application is based on the following prior foreign application(s):

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respectively, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

- ☒ This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s):

Application No.	Filing Date
60/087,331	May 29, 1998

respectively, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

- ☐ Certified copy/ies of foreign applications attached.
- ☐ This application is a ☐ continuation/☐ division/☐ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed
- ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application is a ☐ continuation/☐ division/☐ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed --
- ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This is a continuation of PCT application No. , filed --
- ☒ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/087,331, filed May 29, 1998.--
- ☐ Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee.
- ☐ Also attached.

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